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FOCUS AREA

Agency leadership has determined that this position meets Criteria 4: Assignment requires regular engagement with other uniformed services.

POSITION TITLE

Staff Psychologist, (O-5 Billet, Non-Supervisory). Civilian Billet-GP-0180-13 equivalent.

LOCATION DESCRIPTION

This position is located at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, the Corps' largest West Coast expeditionary training facility, encompasses more than 125,000 acres of Southern California terrain.

Located approximately 38 miles from downtown San Diego in North County and 82 miles south of Los Angeles, Camp Pendleton has been the largest employer in North San Diego County for more than 60 years.

Camp Pendleton is one of the Department of Defense's busiest installations and offers a broad spectrum of training facilities for many active and reserve Marine, Army and Navy units, as well as national, state and local agencies.

The Base is home to the I Marine Expeditionary Force, 1st Marine Division, 1st Marine Logistics Group and many tenant units, including Marine Corps Installation-West, 1st Marine Special Operations Battalion, Wounded Warriors Battalion-West, Marine Corps Air Station at Munn Field, Marine Aircraft Group 39, Marine Corps Tactical Systems Support Activity, Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego's Weapons & Field Training Battalion, Marine Corps and Army Reserve Forces, the Navy's Assault Craft Unit 5, a Naval Hospital and 1st Dental Battalion.

CLOSING DATE

Open until filled

*** JOB DESCRIPTION***

This position is located in the Mental Health Directorate, Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton (NHCP). The work may be performed within mental health units in the immediate Camp Pendleton area as assigned. The Mental Health Directorate provides a wide range of outpatient clinical services to active duty military personnel in the Camp Pendleton area including, but not limited to, psychological evaluations, crisis intervention, medical boards, psychological consultation, psychological testing, and individual and group psychotherapy within the context of a multidisciplinary team. Command consultation is also a requirement and candidate may be assigned to support Force Preservation Council(s).

The focus at Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton is to provide the highest level of quality and safe care. The customer service expectation is to deliver the right product and/or service, which meets or exceeds quality expectations; stay focused on customer needs through effective communication; respond to customer requests and requirements on or ahead of schedule; remain flexible to changing customer requirements and anticipate customer needs by understanding their mission.

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The incumbent is assigned to a permanent shift, (8, 10, 12 hours) but duties, clinical or clerical activities, or patient care needs may require him/her to be available at other times. Weekend and holiday work will be scheduled as necessary to cover absences or augment staff in other related areas for which qualified to work.

Major Duties and Responsibilities

The incumbent evaluates diagnoses and treats the full range of patients with disorders described in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-IV) and functions as an authoritative source of information regarding the use and interpretation of psychological and intellectual tests.

The incumbent utilizes diverse and complex therapeutic techniques or combination of techniques based on the specific needs of the patient. Emphasis is on short-term psychotherapeutic models.

The incumbent participates in the multidisciplinary treatment activities using a variety of techniques to assess, evaluate, and provide psychological treatment to patients, and makes treatment recommendations to staff and resident physicians of other departments, Integrates behavioral health assessment and treatment in the primary care setting.

The incumbent provides diagnoses/evaluation of patients who present atypical and difficult problems of assessment and treatment planning; provides individual, conjoint, and group psychotherapy for patient whose disorders may range from transitory adjustment reactions to severe psychotic disorders, either acute or chronic.

The incumbent establishes liaison with line commanders and military and civilian agencies and community resources as necessary to ensure continuity of care for patients.

The incumbent provides consultative opinions to other health professionals on such topics as: How patients may be expected to respond to treatment; why a patient is responding in a certain way or is uncooperative; insight into the patient's psychological condition, etc.

The incumbent participates in and, as assigned oversees program education, process improvement functions and various managed care processes.

The incumbent plans and executes empirical research in his or her areas of expertise and supervises that of others as needed.

The incumbent is responsible for generating and maintaining a variety of clinical records and reports in keeping with pre-established criteria, reviewing clinical records and others for quality assurance purposes, providing quality assessment data as requested.

The incumbent attends staff meetings, conferences and training as assigned by a higher authority and may assume leadership of these activities.

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The incumbent during the performance of their duties and responsibilities complies with Privacy Act, HIPAA, OSHA, local safety, infection control, and universal precautions, while ensuring the physical security of the Mental Health Clinic.

Prepares briefings and articulately deliver them to high level federal and civilian officials.

Documents clinical assessments, interventions, and plans in the medical record.

The incumbent performs other duties as may be assigned by the immediate supervisor.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:

Doctoral degree from APA accredited school

Completion of APA internship, postdoctoral residency or fellowship or board certification by the American Board of Professional Psychology (ABPP)

Active current state license in clinical psychology from a U.S. State, Territory or District

Minimum of 2 year's experience post licensure evaluating, diagnosing and assessing a variety of mental health disorders to include PTSD

SECRET Clearance or ability to obtain a SECRET Clearance

CONTACT INFORMATION

Interested USPHS Commissioned Corps officers should forward a cover letter, curriculum vitae, and last three COERS via email to CDR Jena Vedder, Jennifer.a.vedder.mil@mail.mil